## Governor Musgrove Praises Recruiting Efforts of Mississippi National Guard

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Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove today praised the work of the Mississippi National Guard to strengthen its numbers. Musgrove spoke at a press conference held at Mississippi National Guard headquarters in Jackson.

"I'm proud of the men and women of the Mississippi National Guard, and their efforts to build and maintain the strength of the Guard," Musgrove said. "Enlistments are dramatically up, Guard units are in 80 of the 82 counties in the state, and our soldiers stand ready to answer the call of their state and their nation."

Musgrove recognized Technical Sergeant Kendall Sanders, Staff Sergeant Trudy Letort and Master Sergeant Robert Styron for their recruiting efforts. Sergeant Sanders enlisted 74 new soldiers; his goal for the year was 48. Sergeant Letort effected the greatest number of enlistments for the fiscal year. Sergeant Styron received the Master 7 Award, as one of the top seven recruiters in the nation.

"We are called on by our nation in higher numbers and for greater missions, and with good reason. We have proven to America and the world that, when needed, we will respond," said Musgrove.